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Chena River Recreation trail reopens as Nugget Creek fire cools

(Fairbanks, AK) – Weather changes have reduced fire dangers, prompting state parks officials to re-open the Granite Tors Trail in the Chena River State Recreation Area.

Effective immediately, the reopening means all facilities in this popular recreation area are now open, except for the Mastodon Trail and Nugget Creek Public Use Cabin.

A cooling trend and increased moisture in the air locally have reduced the wildfire threat, but parks and recreational facilities could be closed in the future if fire conditions warrant.

The Nugget Creek fire began with a lightning strike, about a mile northeast of the Nugget Creek public use cabin on June 21. The fire has since grown to encompass more than 17,294 acres.

For up-to-date information on fire conditions around the state, visit www.akfireinfo.com, or call Alaska Wildland Fire Information at (907) 356-5511.

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